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ATTORNEY GENERAL ANNOUNCES SEVEN NOMINEES FOR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Attorney General Janet Reno announced today that President Clinton has nominated six persons and intends to nominate a seventh for senior positions at the Department of Justice.

The seven--four women and three men--would serve as
Assistant Attorneys General for the Civil Rights, Antitrust,
Civil, Environment and Natural Resources divisions; and Office of
Legal Counsel, Office of Legislative Affairs, and Office of
Policy Development.

Reno introduced them to Justice employees in a ceremony scheduled to be attended by President Clinton in the Department's Courtyard.

"I am pleased President Clinton thought it fitting and proper for me to bring before you these excellent nominees so you can meet the people who will help to lead the Department along the path of excellence," Reno said.

"Each of these men and women have had significant achievements in their private careers," Reno said. "Now they

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have been asked by the President to put those private pursuits aside and dedicate themselves fully to public service.

"The fact that they accepted without hesitation demonstrates how outstanding they are, and I am honored to introduce them to you today," she said.

The seven are:

- -- Walter Dellinger for Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel.
- -- Lani Guinier for Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division.
- -- Frank W. Hunger for Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division.
- -- Anne K. Bingaman for Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division.
- -- The President intends to nominate Gerald Torres for Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division.
- -- Eleanor Dean Acheson for Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Policy Development.
- -- Sheila Foster Anthony for Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legislative Affairs.

Dellinger currently is Associate Counsel to the President.

Prior to that he was a professor of law at Duke University Law

School. Dellinger joined the faculty of Duke Law School in 1969

and served as associate and acting dean of the school from 1974

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through 1978. He has briefed and argued cases in the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. He is a member of the Board of Editors of The American Prospect and member of the executive committee of the Yale Law School Association.

Guinier is a law professor at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia where she teaches courses in legal ethics, criminal process and voting rights law. Guinier worked in the Civil Rights Division in 1977 as a special assistant, then joined the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in 1981 where she headed the Voting Rights Project. She served as a clerk for Judge Damon J. Keith of the U.S. Court of Appeals and served as a referee in Juvenile Court in Wayne County, Michigan.

Hunger is the senior partner/managing partner of Lake,
Tindall, Hunger & Thackston of Greenville, Mississippi, and
specializes in civil litigation. His extensive civil litigation
experience includes complex toxic tort, contract and products
liability actions. Hunger is a Fellow in the American College of
Trial Lawyers and president-elect of the Bar Association for the
Fifth Federal Circuit.

Bingaman is a partner in the Washington, D.C., law firms of Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy and Onek, Klein & Farr. She was founder and partner of Bingaman and Davenport in Santa Fe, and an associate professor at University of New Mexico Law School. Bingaman has handled major complex cases including cases

challenging price fixing and monopolization arrangements.

Bingaman has been elected a Fellow of the American Bar

Foundation, a member of the American Law Institute, and a trustee of Stanford University, from whose law school she graduated.

Torres is a law professor at the University of Minnesota, on leave from the University of Texas. After his graduation from Yale Law School, Torres worked with the Children's Defense Fund. In 1991, while teaching as a visiting professor at Harvard Law School, he was named National Hispanic Law Professor of the Year. He has taught and written extensively on environmental law and the issue of environmental equity. Torres received his A.B. from Stanford in 1974, his J.D. from Yale in 1977 and his LL.M. from the University of Michigan Law and Policy Institute in 1980.

Acheson has been a partner of Ropes & Gray, a law firm in Boston, since 1983. Her practice included federal and state employment and environmental litigation, patent and antitrust cases and tax, business and civil rights litigation. Acheson is a trustee of Roxbury Community College, Roxbury, Massachusetts, and Westover School, Middlebury, Connecticut, and was associated with Director of Women Inc., a Boston treatment center for alcohol and drug addicted women and their children, from 1974 through 1987.

Anthony is a former senior associate of Dow, Lohnes & Albertson in Washington, D.C. She specialized in intellectual property law, including trademark, copyright, unfair competition,

infringement, litigation, licensing and technology transfer. She is a member of the Arkansas and Washington, D.C., bars and a board member of The Washington Center, a nonprofit organization that works with students interested in public service.

All seven must be confirmed by the Senate.

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